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Good Afternoon Students and Parents,

I hope you are all doing well and staying safe and healthy. I continue to pray for you daily, and as I've mentioned before, we miss seeing you! Thank you for doing your schoolwork at home and trying your best. I am very proud of you!

Today you will be sent your mid-quarter 4 Progress Report. In light of our current situation with online learning and everything being new for students, teachers, and parents, our Progress Report format may look a little bit different. If your student earned an F for this first part of the quarter, they will be given an INC (incomplete). This INC is a sign to both students and parents that the student needs to show tremendous improvement in completing assignments and turning them in to the teacher. If your student does not make up the work, or continues to not turn in assignments, their final grade will be affected at the end of the quarter.

As I have mentioned before, your teachers are available via email or phone call to all students and their parents, so if you don't understand something or are having trouble submitting an assignment, please reach out to your teachers! They are here for you. I would also like to suggest that you have a special spot for completing your assignments and designate a certain time every day to do your schoolwork. Also, remember to go outside for some much-needed exercise and complete the P.E. challenges set forth by Coach Brice for you middle school students.

I realize these are unprecedented times we are facing, but together we can make this work, and my prayer is that the students will finish the school year strong. Our Library will be open on Monday, 4/20 from 9-3 if you need to drop off any work that needs correcting. Or, you are welcome to take pictures of completed work to send to your teachers, whatever is easiest for you. I have been receiving a daily devotional from Christian author, Max Lucado, and I wanted to share today's devotion with you all:

"How many disasters have been averted because one person refused to buckle under the strain? It's this kind of composure Paul is summoning when he says, "Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything" (Philippians 4:5-6).

The Greek word translated here as "gentleness" describes a temperament that's seasoned and mature. It envisions an attitude fitting to the occasion, levelheaded and tempered. This gentleness is "evident to all." Family members take note. Your friends sense a difference. Coworkers benefit from it.

The gentle person is sober minded and clear thinking. The contagiously calm person is the one who reminds others, "God is in control." Pursue this gentleness. The Lord is near—you are not alone. You may feel alone. You may think you're alone. But there is never a moment in which you face life without help. God is near—be anxious for nothing!"

Please remember that none of you are alone, God is near, and so are all of us at Modesto Christian School!

God Bless You, *Mrs. Vicki Ollson*

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